

MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF P J KURIEN) (a) and (b) Hotel and tourism-related industry is listed in Annex III to the Statement on Industrial Policy tabled in both Houses of Parliament on 24th July, 1991. As such, it is eligible for direct foreign investment upto 51% equity provided foreign equity covers the foreign exchange requirements for imported capital goods, if any. The approval will also be subject to the condition that the outflow on account of dividend payments should be balanced by foreign exchange earnings over a period of time.

[Translation]

Sugar Mills in Uttar Pradesh

4327 SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state

(a) the total number of sugar mills in Uttar Pradesh and the number out of them functioning at present

(b) the number of sick sugar mills in the state at present

(c) the annual loss of revenue as a result thereof,

(d) whether the Government propose to take steps to improve the condition of such mills,

(e) if so, the expenditure to be incurred thereon and the time by which the work would be completed, and

(f) the number of new sugar mills proposed to be opened in the state during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI) (a) As on 30.9.1991, there were 105 installed sugar factories in the State of

Uttar Pradesh, out of which 100 have, as per latest reports received, started working during the current 1991-92 crushing season.

(b) Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) have received only one reference from the State of Uttar Pradesh in respect of Lakshmi Sugar Mills under the provisions of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 so far. According to the BIFR, a notice for winding up of the mill has been issued. The above Act applies to industrial companies.

Information regarding sick sugar factories in the Cooperative and Public Sectors is not maintained.

(c) Since the mill is continuing its crushing operations, there is no loss of revenue.

(d) and (e) Appropriate action is being taken by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction.

(f) The number of new sugar mills to be installed in the State of Uttar Pradesh during the 8th Five Year Plan would depend upon various factors like letters of intent/licences issued and to be issued, availability of finances and machinery etc.

4328 SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state

(a) the number of employees whose services are not required due to liberal use of computers in various departments of the Union Government and Public Undertakings and due to the emphasis on privatisation under new industrial policy declared by the Union Government,

(b) whether the Government are formulating a Scheme to use Services of the surplus employees,